REMARKS

In the Office Action of February 9, 2005, the examiner has requested that the applicant elect from Group I consisting of claims 1-11 and 18-20 drawn to a method of positioning carts, or Group II consisting of claims 12-17 drawn to a method of unloading stacked products. The examiner takes the position that while the inventions of Group I and II are related as subcombinations usable together in a single combination, further positing however that the subcombinations are distinct as the invention of Group I has a separate utility as for use as with an amusement ride using carts which people ride along tracks. The applicant elects Group I with traverse and proposes new claims 21-23 as linking claims. Furthermore, the alleged independent utility of the invention of Group I is refuted as both independent claims 1 and 18 relate to positioning of product transport carts in a transport or delivery vehicle, not locking together carts used in an amusement ride along tracks. Furthermore, dependent claims 10, 11, and 20 further require the loading and unloading of carts carrying products.

If the restriction is maintained, newly proposed claims 21 and 23 should be included in Group I and claim 22 should be included in Group II.

As amended, claims 1-23 are pending in the application. Submitted herewith is a check for the additional fees of \$350.00 due for three additional claims in excess of 20 and one independent claim in excess of three. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3403.

The applicant respectfully requests that the election/restriction requirement be removed and that a timely notice of allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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